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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Bjarne L. Christensen et al.)	
)	Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody
Serial No.: 10/536,535)	
)	Group Art Unit No.: 3679
Filing Date: February 28, 2006)	
)	Confirmation No.: 9902
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action dated February 24, 2009 for a period of three months.

Applicant is: ☐ small entity (per 37 CFR 1.27) ☒ other than small entity

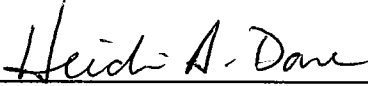
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<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$130.00	\$65.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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